



1. Applicant Identification

Walker County
101 South Duke Street
LaFayette, GA 30728

2. Funding Requested

- a. Assessment Grant Type: Coalition
- b. Federal Funds Requested
 - i. \$600,000
 - ii. Not Applicable

3. Locations

- a) City of LaFayette b) Walker County c) Georgia
- a) City of Chickamauga b) Walker County c) Georgia
- a) City of Rossville b) Walker County c) Georgia

4. Property Information for Site-Specific Applications

Not Applicable

5. Contacts

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6. Populations

City of LaFayette, GA: 7,619
City of Chickamauga, GA: 7,733
City of Rossville, GA: 3,752
(US Census: 2014–2018 American Community Survey)



7. Other Factors Checklist

Other Factors	Page #
Community population is 10,000 or less.	4
The applicant is, or will assist, a federally recognized Indian Tribe or United States territory.	N/A
The priority brownfield site(s) is impacted by mine-scarred land.	N/A
The priority site(s) is adjacent to a body of water (i.e., the border of the priority site(s) is contiguous or partially contiguous to the body of water, or would be contiguous or partially contiguous with a body of water but for a street, road or other public thoroughfare separating them.)	2
The priority site(s) is in a federally designated flood plain.	2
The redevelopment of the priority site(s) will facilitate renewable energy from wind, solar, or geothermal energy; or any energy efficiency improvement projects	N/A
30% or more of the overall project budget will be spent on eligible reuse planning activities for priority brownfield site(s) within the target area	N/A

8. Letter from the State or Tribal Environmental Authority
See attached

Richard E. Dunn, Director

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October 15, 2020

VIA ELECTRONIC Mail ewells@lafga.org

Ms. Elizabeth Wells
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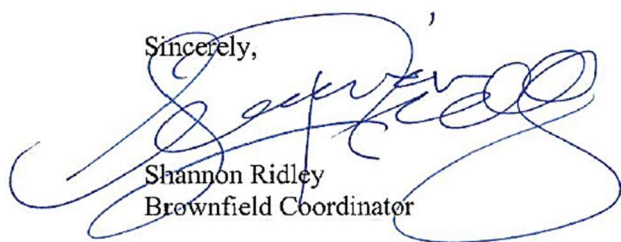
RE: State Acknowledgement Letter – Brownfield Community -Wide Assessment Grant Application
Walker County Government

Dear Ms. Wells:

This letter serves as acknowledgement from the Georgia Environmental Protection Division (“GA EPD”) that Walker County, Walker County Industrial Development Authority, and the Cities of LaFayette, Rossville, and Chickamauga, hereinafter the “Coalition”, will be submitting an application to the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (“EPA”) for funding assistance under the Federal Community-Wide Assessment Grant Program to conduct assessment activities. GA EPD understands that the Coalition is applying for \$600,000 to be used to assess brownfield properties contaminated with both hazardous substances and petroleum.

GA EPD would like to take this opportunity to encourage EPA’s positive decision in making a grant award to the Coalition for such assessment. A successful award would greatly assist this community in its redevelopment efforts. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



Shannon Ridley
Brownfield Coordinator

File: FFY 2021 EPA Grant Applicants, Walker County Government Coalition Assessment

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1. PROJECT AREA DESCRIPTION AND PLANS FOR REVITALIZATION

a. Target Area and Brownfields i. Background and Description of Target Area: Walker County will serve as the lead applicant for the **Walker County Brownfield Coalition**. As a rural, northwest Georgia community, Walker County seeks to remedy the economic and social woes precipitated by brownfields in three Coalition communities: the **City of LaFayette** (LaFayette), the **City of Chickamauga** (Chickamauga), and the **City of Rossville** (Rossville). The Coalition will use EPA Brownfield grant funding to augment redevelopment plans currently in place to assess environmental concerns, encourage brownfield site reuse, increase tax revenues through site redevelopment, and provide needed employment opportunities.

Walker County is a nexus of historical importance, with 17 sites on the National Register of Historic Places and home to the Civil War Chickamauga National Battlefield and the natural beauty of Lookout Mountain and Cloudland State Park.¹ The target areas are also known for the “mill city culture” associated with textile mills historically located in this northwest portion of Georgia. For over 100 years, Walker County was home to numerous textile mills that opened in the late 1800s and are part of the **West Georgia Textile Heritage Trail**.² Over time, the mills steadily closed as manufacturing moved overseas or larger national companies overtook smaller family-run mills. The **City of LaFayette** was incorporated in 1835 and serves as the county seat for Walker County. LaFayette is known historically for textile production, and its first mill, the Union Cotton Mill of 1893, operated in the same building until 1984. Elizabeth Hosiery Mills started in 1900, later became Barwick Mills, and then closed in the 1980s. The **LaFayette Cotton Mills** opened in 1903 and later, as Sunrise Hosiery, closed in 2004. The mill village consisted of housing, an orchard, recreational areas, and a school. The **City of Chickamauga**, established in 1891, is home to the historic Coke Ovens, which supplied coal coke to the steel and iron foundries of Chattanooga, Tennessee from 1891 until the 1930s, and the Lee and Gordon Mill, which operated as a grist mill from 1836 to 1967. A bleachery was established in 1909 and remained in operation until after World War II, closing in 1969. The **Crystal Springs Print Works** purchased the site and remained in operation until 2013.² The **City of Rossville** was home to the **Peerless Woolen Mills**, opening in 1905 and becoming the largest single-unit mill in the world by the 1950s. During WWII, textile production boomed, but after the war, demand waned and the plant closed by 1970. Rossville was known as a mill community with company benefits including a company gym, parties, and sports teams.³

LaFayette’s target area includes **Census Tract (CT) 207**, **Chickamauga’s target area** includes **CT 205.1**, and **Rossville’s target area** includes **CT 202**. The **five priority brownfield sites**, located within each Coalition member’s jurisdiction, exemplify the economic hardship and blight associated with target areas: the **LaFayette Cotton Mills** and **Main Street Service Station** (LaFayette), **Former Crystal Springs Print Works** (Chickamauga), and the **Former Peerless Woolen Mills** and **McFarland Avenue Service Station** (Rossville).

ii. Description of the Priority Brownfield Site(s): Anticipating the EPA Brownfield funding, initial discussions between Walker County and Coalition members identified **more than 25 potential sites for assessment** throughout the target areas. Additional sites will be identified by **target-area residents and project partners** during the implementation of the Coalition’s Brownfield Program. Site access for assessment of priority sites is in progress. **The owner of the Crystal Spring Print Works Mill have granted access.**

LaFayette – LaFayette Cotton Mills: The cotton mill property (6.54 acres) is located adjacent

¹ Walker County Website, <https://walkercountyga.gov/connect/history>, Accessed 10/19/2020.

² West Georgia Textile Trail Website, <http://westgatextiletrail.com>, Accessed 10/19/2020.

³ Rossville, GA, Website, <http://www.rossvillega.gov.us/HistoryofRossville.html>, Accessed 10/19/2020.



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to the **Chattooga River** and in the center of LaFayette near residential properties. The property operated as a cotton mill from 1903 to 1946, then as a jean manufacturer, and later as a sock factory, closing in 2004. The buildings were demolished in 2007. The property is vacant and unfenced. Contaminants associated with mill operations include volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and semi-VOCs (SVOCs), heavy metals and polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs) from prior use of dyes, fuels, lubricants, solvents, hydraulic fluid, and transformer oil. The **Main Street Service Station** (0.3 acres), located adjacent to downtown neighborhoods and constructed in 1952, operated as a filling station. The vacant, unfenced property most recently operated as a repair shop. Contaminants associated with a filling station include VOCs, SVOCs, and lead from the prior use of fuels, solvents, and hydraulic fluid. Lead-containing materials (LCM) and asbestos-containing materials (ACM) are anticipated based on the age of the structures at both sites.

Chickamauga – Crystal Springs Print Works Mill: The unfenced, vacant facility (63.43 acres, approximately 13.6 acres located outside of the flood plain), located adjacent to a water source (**Crawfish Spring**), formerly operated as a bleachery from 1909 to 1969. The mill employed over 1,200 people at its peak, which is significant for a population of 3,000. A printing company later purchased the facility and it remained in operation until 2013. The buildings were demolished in 2014. The mill is located in the center of Chickamauga near residential properties and the main commercial core. Contaminants associated with mill operations include VOCs and SVOCs, heavy metals and PCBs from prior use of dyes, fuels, lubricants, solvents, hydraulic fluid, and transformer oil. LCM and ACM are suspected at this site.

Rossville – Former Peerless Woolen Mills: The Peerless Mill property, located adjacent to a **Tributary of Chattanooga Creek** and in the center of Rossville near residential properties and the central business area, covers approximately 27 acres and contains 1.3 million square feet of building space. At its height of production, Peerless Mill employed 3,500 workers in a city of 4,000 residents. One of the outbuildings has recently been redeveloped into a restaurant; however, due to concerns with ACM and LCM, much of the complex is a blighted eyesore in the heart of downtown, and in its current state, a huge impediment to new private investment. Contaminants associated with mill operations include VOCs, SVOCs, heavy metals, and PCBs from prior use of dyes, fuels, lubricants, solvents, hydraulic fluid, and transformer oil. **McFarland Avenue Service Station** (0.27 acres), constructed in 1947, operated as a filling station. The unfenced property has been vacant for more than 15 years and most recently operated as a repair shop. The property is located near residential properties. Contaminants associated with a filling station include VOCs, SVOCs, and lead from the prior use of fuels, solvents, and hydraulic fluid.

b. Revitalization of the Target Area i. Reuse Strategy and Alignment with Revitalization Plans: Rehabilitation will provide the impetus for redevelopment that will promote community economic vitality through property improvement, business growth, job development, and community support. The assessment grant will be used as a tool to meet the redevelopment goals adopted in the **Walker County Joint Comprehensive Plan**,⁴ which highlights brownfield redevelopment as a priority for the county and its cities. All priority sites have environmental concerns that are inhibiting site reuse. Through environmental assessment and site-specific risk screening, these properties can be cleared for redevelopment. The **Chickamauga Renaissance Strategic Vision and Plan**⁵ states that the former **Crystal Springs Print Works Mill** property “represents an unparalleled economic opportunity for the city and region.” Redevelopment plans for the property include retail storefronts and affordable housing along the street with large areas for passive public

⁴ Walker County Joint Comprehensive Plan, Northwest Georgia Regional Commission, February 2017.

⁵ Chickamauga Renaissance Strategic Vision and Plan, Carl Vinson Institute of Government, 2016.



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recreation. The portions of the site located in the **flood plain** will remain green space for an organized recreation hub. **Rossville** has been working with the **Georgia Tech Enterprise Innovation Institute, Carl Vinson Institute of Government at the University of Georgia, the Georgia Municipal Association, North West Georgia Regional Commission**, and other groups to develop plans for the 50+ acres of downtown Rossville, including the revitalization of the former Peerless Mill. Rossville has also been working with **Ryan Gravel**, the visionary landscape architect, designer for the Atlanta Beltline, to develop a vision for the **Former Peerless Mills** property as potential mixed-use affordable housing/commercial with rail access or a community/education center. The areas of the site located within the flood plain will be designed for public recreation.⁶ Located in a prime downtown location, the **McFarland Avenue Service Station** building will be reused as a commercial infill lot (potential coffee shop). The **West LaFayette Redevelopment Plan** encourages the reuse of historic buildings and redevelopment of infill lots contributing to a sense of community.⁷ The reuse of the **LaFayette Cotton Mills** site as a commercial infill lot will align with this plan. The portions of the site located within the flood plain will be designed as green space to allow for flood control and groundwater recharge. The **Main Street Service Station** building will be reused as a commercial business as it is a strategically located infill lot (potential restaurant). The **Walker County Joint Comprehensive Plan** promotes the use of existing infrastructure, limiting growth in rural areas, and preferring brownfield sites.

ii. Outcomes and Benefits of Reuse Strategy: Brownfield redevelopment will promote economic success for these communities including new employment opportunities, increased property values, and additional tax revenue, which will help to provide improved health outcomes and quality of life. Federal Opportunity Zones (OZ) were created to encourage development in low income areas. Georgia's OZ designation is available to areas within or adjacent to census block groups with a 15% or higher poverty rate. Rural Zones feature job tax, investment and rehabilitation credits that entice developers to bring new businesses and jobs to the community. **Rossville** is designated as a **Federal OZ** and a **Rural Zone**. **LaFayette** is designated as **State OZs**. The State-OZ designation spurs economic development with state job tax credits (\$3,500 per job) that incentivize businesses to move to rehabilitated brownfield sites. The Coalition's median poverty level (23%) exceeds the state's threshold (15%), securing its State-OZ designation to help promote economic development upon rehabilitation of brownfields. For the five priority sites, the Coalition members will reuse/repurpose existing structures that are determined safe for reuse. Developers will be strongly encouraged by Coalition members to include the use of renewable energy and/or energy efficient designs as part of their redevelopment plans. Located in an Urban Redevelopment Area, Federal Opportunity Zone (OZ) and Rural Zone, , the assessment and rehabilitation of the **Former Peerless Woolen Mills** and the **McFarland Service Station** will advance Rossville's goals for revitalization: bring affordable housing and jobs opportunities to the neighborhood, decrease poverty in the target area, removed blighted structures, and reduce health hazards for at-risk residents (**non-economic benefit**). Rehabilitation and repurposing of the **LaFayette Cotton Mills, Main Street Service Station, and Crystal Spring Print Works** for commercial, mixed-use affordable housing/commercial, and public areas for recreation will restore value for these historic properties, provide affordable housing, bring jobs Downtown, improve tax revenue, induce further investment in the Downtown district, and mitigate health hazards in the target area.

⁶ Rossville Peerless Woolen Mills. College of Environment and Design. Carl Vinson Institute of Government. July 2016.

⁷ West LaFayette Urban Redevelopment Plan. Northwest Georgia Regional Commission. March 2013.



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c. Strategy for Leveraging Resources i. Resources Needed for Site Reuse: The Coalition members as local units of government are eligible to apply for private, state, and federal grant funding. The Coalition is making every effort to secure additional funding to further its Brownfield Program redevelopment goals and is already using the following opportunities:

	Agency	Funding Purpose
Federal	HUD Community Development Block Grant (up to \$500,000)	Building demolition, contribute to affordable housing initiatives and expand housing opportunities
Federal	Appalachian Regional Commission (up to \$500,000)	Industrial development and business incubators
State	OneGeorgia Authority (EDGE FUND and EQUITY FUND)	For rural community projects usable for public land acquisition
State	State Opportunity Zones	Ensure the Opportunity Zone tax incentives are marketed to developers and investors to further site reuse
State	Georgia EPD	Site investigation and cleanup costs incurred while a participant in the Brownfield Program can be recouped through the abatement of property taxes for up to 10 years.

ii. Use of Existing Infrastructure: Each priority site is connected to existing infrastructure sufficient for future redevelopment, and the infrastructure (sewer, water, roads) throughout the target areas is sufficient for additional redevelopment. In the event additional infrastructure needs are required, the Coalition members will apply for state and federal grant funding.

2. COMMUNITY NEED AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

a. Community Need i. The Community's Need for Funding: The Coalition members are designated as low population communities (LaFayette 7,619; Chickamauga 7,733; Rossville 3,752).⁸ Per capita incomes range from \$16,386 to \$26,694 for the target area CTs with an average (\$20,897) substantially lower than the national level (\$32,621).⁸ The percentage of employed civilian labor force ranges from 47% to 57% in the target area CTs, with an average (55%) lower than the national level (63%).⁸ The population living below the poverty level in the target area CTs ranges from 17% to 31% with an average of 23%, which is considerably higher than the national level (14%).⁸ Poverty levels for female heads of household ranges from 24% to 58% in the target area CTs, with an average (44%) higher than the national level (38%).⁸ Vacant housing accounts for 17% of the existing housing compare to the national level of 12%.⁸

Lower per capita income, fewer employed residents, , and higher general poverty rates in the target area CTs versus national levels mean less revenue for Coalition community budgets, limiting their ability to incentivize brownfields rehabilitation and redevelopment. The Coalition members have developed plans to address the large number of brownfield sites and blighted structures in their communities, but **LaFayette, Chickamauga, and Rossville** lack the funding to initiate a brownfield program due to the vast number of brownfield sites from the mill industry and the disproportionately poor population and perpetual community disinvestment that limit tax revenue. Grant funding in combination with other available grant resources will augment the Coalition members' limited revenues so brownfield assessments can support economic development goals: diminish blight, attract new businesses, create better paying jobs, address health and crime issues, enhance prosperity, and improve tax revenues. Due to the unknown environmental conditions, Walker County recently lost a significant redevelopment investment opportunity of \$350M and 1,900 jobs for the community.

ii. Threats to Sensitive Populations (1) Health or Welfare of Sensitive Populations: Federal studies

⁸ US Census: 2014–2018 American Community Survey



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determined that poverty and public health are linked and are related to an array of characteristics: poverty, inequality, job access, residential instability, and access to safe and affordable housing.⁹ **The Coalition's disproportionately female heads of household living in poverty, and impoverished residents, living in older, blighted properties, are the most sensitive populations for the target area CTs.** The Coalition's impoverished population (23%) is significantly higher than the national level (14%).¹⁰ Within the target area, 44% of female heads of household with children under the age of 18 live in poverty, which is considerably higher than the national level (38%).¹⁰ The redevelopment plans determined that the blighted housing stock is a strain on public health in the community. Renter occupied housing (42%) is higher than the national rate (36%), and 49% of the housing stock was constructed in 1979 or earlier, which leads to potential exposure to LCM and ACM for the target area's sensitive populations.¹⁰ With portions of the priority sites redeveloped as recreation areas, this population that has higher rates of obesity (41/100K) and diabetes (63/100K) than the national rates, respectively (35/100K, 57/100K) will have access to recreational opportunities.¹² According to the US Department of Agriculture's (USDA) Economic Research Service, **LaFayette** and **Rossville** are designated as food deserts. The population receiving food assistance ranges from 11% to 32% with an average (19%) above the national level (12%).¹⁰ Despite the rural character of the target area CTs, 8% of households lack a vehicle, making access to food more difficult for the target-area population.¹⁰

Research found that stress from social and economic conditions affects the poor more severely and supports a correlation between neighborhood conditions, older, blighted properties, and community health and wellbeing.¹¹ Living near abandoned buildings or vacant lots (17% vacancy rate in target area, 12% national) as occurs with brownfields, equates to negative health impacts like lower literacy (24% less than high school education, 13% national), higher rates of chronic illness, developmental challenges, and unhealthy habits.^{10,11} By redeveloping brownfield sites within the city centers, affordable housing will be accessible and will promote positive health outcomes for the sensitive populations. Rehabilitating brownfield sites within the target areas will help remove blight, create jobs, and promote healthier lifestyles for residents by identifying contaminants and reducing the associated threats to the sensitive populations' health and welfare.

(2) Greater Than Normal Incidence of Disease and Adverse Health Conditions: Contaminants from priority sites are known contributors to stroke, lung cancer, diabetes, chronic liver diseases, obesity, and health issues plaguing the Coalition communities. This is troublesome considering the percentage of residents without health insurance in target-area census tracts ranges from 14% to 21% with an average (16%) much higher than the national level (9%).¹⁰ **Walker County** stroke rates are higher (58/100K) than the national rates (48/100K), lung cancer rates are higher (99/100K) than the national rates (56/100K), diabetes rates are higher (63/100K) than the national rates (57/100K), liver disease rates are higher (24/100K) than the national rates (17/100K), and obesity rates are higher (41/100K) than the national rates (35/100K).¹² Obesity is a risk factor for asthma. In Georgia, the rate of asthma (9%) is higher than the US (8%), and those who are obese with asthma is higher for the state (46%) than the US (39%).¹³

Walker County's COVID-19 (COVID) positive testing rate for October 8–22, 2020 is 8.1% and cases per 100k is 214.¹⁴ The CDC's guidance for opening schools states a higher risk for COVID

⁹ US Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Disease Prevention and Health Promotion, Healthy People 2020, Centers for Disease Control, Social Determinants of Health; US Department of Housing and Urban Development, Office of Policy Development and Research, Evidence Matters, Summer 2016.

¹⁰ US Census: 2014–2018 American Community Survey

¹¹ Amy Gutman, "Failing Economy, Failing Health," *Harvard Public Health Magazine*, Spring 2014.

¹² Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME), Profile: Walker County, Georgia, 2014.

¹³ Center for Disease Control Website, https://www.cdc.gov/asthma/asthma_stats/asthma_obesity.htm, Accessed 10/22/20.

¹⁴ Georgia Department of Health Website, <https://dph.georgia.gov/covid-19-daily-status-report>, Accessed 10/22/20.



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transmission with a community positive rate of >10%, and the highest risk is >200/100K.¹⁵ The CDC lists as COVID risk factors the higher incidence conditions that are present in the Walker County population: obesity, smoking, cancer, diabetes, asthma, and liver disease.^{16,17} Diabetes, stroke, and smoking are also risk factors for birth defects. Smoking rates in Walker County are higher (27/100K) than national rates (20/100K).¹⁸ In Georgia, birth defects are the leading cause of death in the first year of life.¹⁹

Operations at the priority sites involved VOCs, SVOCs, heavy metals, and PCBs, which are associated with cancer and liver diseases. EPA's Environmental Justice (EJ) Lead Paint indicator (88th percentile) reveals a higher risk of exposure to LCM (and ACM) for Coalition member area than the US (58th percentile) confirming the *negative environmental consequences*—cancer (mesothelioma), liver and heart diseases, and neurological impairment (mental disorders)—faced by the communities from exposure to the asbestos and lead remaining at the priority brownfield sites and surrounding areas. Through environmental assessments completed as part of this grant, life-threatening contaminants associated with target-area priority sites may be identified and mitigated to reduce potential health threats for the sensitive populations who are suffering from a greater than normal incidence of disease.

(3) Disproportionately Impacted Populations: The economic hardships and health impacts affecting the Coalition's sensitive populations will be alleviated by rehabilitating brownfields and repurposing sites for commercial use, affordable housing, or mixed-use developments. The Coalition area is above the 80th percentile for lead paint, and superfund sites are located within or near the Coalition member communities.²⁰ Combined Census Tract demographics and EJ indicators reveal the Coalition's **most sensitive populations, female heads of household and the impoverished**, suffer *negative environmental consequences of exposure* to asbestos or lead from aged structures on the priority brownfield sites. **Per capita income is 9% below the national level (\$32,621) and for female head of household with children, 44% live in poverty.**²¹ Coalition members' sensitive female households and impoverished populations experience higher rates of cancer and liver diseases, confirming the *negative environmental consequence of exposure* from leached VOCs and SVOCs, heavy metals, PCBs, formaldehyde, phenols, and amines. Historically, mills began operations in the early 1900s, before chemical use was regulated. Routine discharges and disposal of VOCs, SVOCs, heavy metals, PCBs, phenols, formaldehyde, and amines occurred for 70 years before the onset of federal controls. Operating 70+ years before regulatory oversight indicates a history of VOC, SVOC, heavy metals, and PCBs releases. EPA Brownfield Assessment funding will allow for the identification of environmental justice threats that can be drastically reduced for the sensitive populations of the target areas upon remediation.

b. Community Engagement i. Project Partners & ii. Project Roles: Coalition members identified prospective partners, organizations within their target area (listed below), who will assist in the process of site identification, site prioritization, cleanup and future redevelopment of priority brownfield sites for this assessment project. As the Brownfield Program progresses, additional project partners will be identified and involved throughout the Coalition's three target areas to ensure that each community will be effectively engaged and informed throughout the grant project.

¹⁵ Center for Disease Control and Prevention Website, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/community/schools-childcare/indicators.html#thresholds>, Accessed 10/22/20.

¹⁶ Center for Disease Control and Prevention Website, <https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/need-extra-precautions/people-with-medical-conditions.html>, Accessed 10/22/20.

¹⁷ Institute for Health Metrics and Evaluation (IHME), Profile: Walker County, Georgia, 2014.

¹⁸ Center for Disease Control Website, <https://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/research.html>, Accessed 10/22/20.

¹⁹ Georgia Department of Health Website, <https://dph.georgia.gov/childrens-health>, Accessed 10/22/20.

²⁰ EPA Environmental Justice Screening Tool.

²¹ US Census: 2014–2018 American Community Survey.



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Partner Name	Point of Contact	Specific role in project
Walker County Chamber of Commerce-President (Walker County)	Lacey Wilson, lacey@walkercochamber.com	Conduct outreach to local property owners; advocate for target-area redevelopment; distribute news & updates to their members
Community Growth Association (Chickamauga)	Jennifer Tarven chickamaugacga@gmail.com	Advocate for business redevelopment and work with communities on smart development and placemaking
LaFayette Rotary Club	Elijah Parker, eparker@peachstatefcu.org	Distribute news & updates to their members and encourage active engagement in the community
Rossville Downtown Development Authority	Susan Wells, rdda.info@gmail.com	Identify sites for redevelopment, assist in private investment recruitment

iii. **Incorporating Community Input:** In an effort to gain community support and inform the local Coalition member communities, several meetings were held to discuss the need for brownfield assessment grant funding. The Walker County Development Authority hosted a Zoom informational meeting to discuss the grant application and invited questions and comments from the public on October 22, 2020. Coalition members have held meetings over the past two years to discuss the redevelopment of brownfield properties located within the Coalition member areas.

Walker County and the Coalition members will encourage community participation through brownfield site identification and prioritization, educational sessions, and project update meetings. During community meetings held by the Coalition members, community input and suggestions will be documented. Community member suggestions will be discussed during quarterly brownfield coalition meetings, and the responses will be posted on the Brownfield Program website. Target-area, resident-identified sites will be added to the inventory, evaluated with project partner input, and prioritized based on need, project goals and the future redevelopment plans.

Coalition member and project partner websites, social media, local/regional publications, and distributed print material will ensure distribution throughout the county. A Brownfield Program webpage will be developed as part of this grant to allow residents access to periodic updates on the Program's status. To share the Coalition's Brownfield Program information, a Community Involvement Plan (CIP) will be created detailing community engagement activities, schedule, project background, and key players. The CIP will be available for review in Walker County's Economic Development office, Coalition members City Hall offices, libraries, and on the Brownfield webpage. A Brownfield Program brochure explaining the program will be shared throughout the community at Coalition member's public meetings held within the target area and local libraries. The Program Director will provide project information during regularly scheduled monthly Council Meetings, community educational meetings, and charrettes/visioning sessions.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, community meetings have been held in a virtual format. It is anticipated that meetings will be held in a virtual format after the grant award until the health precautions mandated by the State of Georgia are lifted. Meetings will be promoted through the Brownfields Program webpage, email distribution lists, and social media. To continue to promote community involvement, community outreach will be conducted via virtual calls to discuss the grant and engage the community through virtual small group, educational, and focused question-and-answer sessions.

3. TASK DESCRIPTIONS, COST ESTIMATES, AND MEASURING PROGRESS

a. Description of Tasks/Activities and Outputs: The Coalition is requesting a US EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant in the amount of \$600,000 for community-wide assessment.

Task 1: Outreach



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i.	<i>Project Implementation:</i> The Walker County Brownfield Project Manager will develop a Community Involvement Plan (CIP), outreach materials, brownfield project website updates, and social media posts with the assistance of the environmental consultant (consultant). The Walker County staff will lead the community meetings (virtual/online during COVID-19 and in-person post COVID-19) to keep the public informed on project plans and updates. Supplies are budgeted for the printing of outreach materials (brochures/handouts), office supplies, and software to manage the grant.
ii.	<i>Anticipated Project Schedule:</i> CIP created within three months of award (upon completion a more concrete schedule will follow). Community Meetings held 1 st & 3 th quarter for each grant year. Website and Outreach Materials created in the 1 st quarter and posted monthly throughout the grant project.
iii.	<i>Task/Activity Lead:</i> Walker County: Elizabeth Wells, Brownfield Project Manager
iv.	<i>Outputs:</i> CIP, Brownfield Website updates, 6 Community Meetings, Brochures/Handouts, Social Media Posts, Minutes, Handouts, and Sign-in Sheets from Community Meetings .
Task 2: Site Inventory	
i.	<i>Project Implementation:</i> The Walker County Brownfields Project Manager will work with the Coalition Members and residents living in the target areas during community meetings to create a thorough site inventory for assessment. Abandoned and underutilized properties identified by the residents of the target area will be researched further by County staff using the property appraiser's websites and GIS. Once a list is compiled, the consultant will work with the Walker County staff to create an evaluation ranking tool with the help of residents to determine the order in which the sites will be addressed.
ii.	<i>Anticipated Project Schedule:</i> Community meeting held in 1 st quarter will continue the preliminary inventory process that began with this application, with the evaluation ranking process taking place in the 3 rd quarter & continuing throughout the grant project.
iii.	<i>Task/Activity Lead:</i> Walker County: Elizabeth Wells, Brownfield Project Manager
iv.	<i>Outputs:</i> Evaluation Ranking Tool, Site Inventory List
Task 3: Assessment	
i.	<i>Project Implementation:</i> The consultant will conduct Environmental Site Assessment (ESA) activities at sites selected and ranked through the Site Inventory Task, starting first with the priority sites listed in this application. ASTM-AAI compliant Phase Is; Generic Quality Assurance Project Plan (QAPP); Phase IIs which will include the SS-QAPP. Prior to assessment, site access agreements and property eligibility determinations approval will be obtained.
ii.	<i>Anticipated Project Schedule:</i> Assessment activities to begin in the 2 nd quarter and will continue throughout the grant project.
iii.	<i>Task/Activity Lead:</i> The consultant will implement the technical aspects of the project with oversight from Walker County's Elizabeth Wells, Brownfield Project Manager.
iv.	<i>Outputs:</i> 28 Phase I ESAs, 1 Generic QAPP, 14 Phase II ESAs including SS-QAPP, Site Access Agreements and Property Eligibility Determinations.
Task 4: Remediation/Reuse Planning	
i.	<i>Project Implementation:</i> For projects identified for cleanup, the consultant will prepare the Analysis for Brownfields Cleanup Alternatives (ABCA) and/or Cleanup Plans. Cleanup planning will include evaluating cleanup alternatives, calculating cleanup costs, and determining site appropriate remediation/reuse planning to reduce health/environmental risks. The consultant will assist Walker County in hosting charrettes/visioning sessions (virtual or in-person depending on COVID) for key properties.
ii.	<i>Anticipated Project Schedule:</i> Plans & Charrettes to begin in the 6 th quarter and will continue throughout the grant project.
iii.	<i>Task/Activity Lead:</i> The consultant will implement the technical aspects of the project with oversight from Walker County's Elizabeth Wells, Brownfield Project Manager.
iv.	<i>Outputs:</i> 10 ABCAs, 5 Vision Sessions/Charrettes
Task 5: Programmatic Support	
i.	<i>Project Implementation:</i> The Walker County Brownfields Project Manager will oversee grant implementation and administration to ensure compliance with the EPA Cooperative Agreement Work



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	Plan, schedule, and terms and conditions. The consultant will assist Walker County in completing ACRES Database Reporting, Annual Financial Reporting, Quarterly Reporting, MBE/WBE Forms, and all additional Programmatic Support for the three-year term of the grant. The Walker County staff travel budget allows for three staff/coalition members representatives to attend two national/regional/grantee brownfield training conferences/workshops.
ii.	<i>Anticipated Project Schedule:</i> ACRES Reporting begins in the 1 st quarter & Quarterly Reporting begins in the 2 nd quarter and continues throughout the grant project. Annual Reporting and Forms created in 5 th quarter, 9 th quarter, and during final closeout.
iii.	<i>Task/Activity Lead:</i> Walker County: Elizabeth Wells, Brownfield Project Director
iv.	<i>Outputs:</i> ACRES Database Reporting, 3 Annual Financial Reports, 12 Quarterly Reports, 3 MBE/WBE Forms, Programmatic Support for the three-year grant period. Three staff to attend two conferences.

b. Cost Estimates: Below are the anticipated cost estimates for this project *based on past Brownfield projects as determined by local market standards with contractual hourly rates based on the skills needed for the specific tasks.* The budget for this project includes travel, supplies, and contractual costs only. **Walker County commits to spending over 75% of the budget on Assessment Activities.**

Task 1 Outreach: Contractual: Community Involvement Plan \$5,000 (40hrs x \$125), Brownfield Website updates, Social Media posts \$2,000 (16hrs x \$125), 6 Community Education Meetings \$7,800 (\$1,300/meeting), Supplies: Printing of outreach materials, office supplies, electronic support and software \$1,400. **Task 2 Site Inventory:** Contractual: \$7,500 (50hrs x \$150). **Task 3 Assessment:** Contractual: 28 Phase I ESAs (to include site eligibility/access agreements) at \$3,500 each for a total of \$98,000, 1 Generic QAPP at \$5,500, 14 Phase II ESAs including SS-QAPP at \$26,500 each for a total of \$371,000. **Task 4 Remediation/Reuse Planning:** Contractual: 10 ABCA at \$6,400 each for a total of \$64,000, 5 Vision Sessions/Charrettes \$7,000 (\$1,400/meeting). **Task 5 Programmatic Support:** Contractual: to ACRES Database Reporting, Annual Financial Reporting, Quarterly Reporting, MBE/WBE Forms, Programmatic Support for the three-year grant period \$24,500 (245hrs x \$100). Travel: three staff to attend two conferences \$6,300 (flights at \$550, 3 nights in hotel at \$350, incidentals and per diem at \$150 x 3 attendees).

Category	Tasks					Totals
	<i>Outreach</i>	<i>Site Inventory</i>	<i>Assessment</i>	<i>Remediation/Reuse Planning</i>	<i>Programmatic Support</i>	
Travel					\$6,300	\$6,300
Supplies	\$1,400					\$1,400
Contractual	\$14,800	\$7,500	\$474,500	\$71,000	\$24,500	\$592,300
Total Budget	\$16,200	\$7,500	\$474,500	\$71,000	\$30,800	\$600,000

c. Measuring Environmental Results: To ensure this EPA Brownfield Grant is on schedule, a representative from each Coalition member's organization, including Walker County as the lead applicant and the qualified environmental consultant, will meet quarterly to track all **outputs identified in 3.a**, using an Excel spreadsheet to report all progress for work scope, goals, and objectives fulfillment to the EPA via quarterly reports. In addition, expenditures and activities will be compared to the schedule to ensure the Grant Project will be completed within the three-year time frame. Site specific information will be entered and tracked in the ACRES database. Outputs to be tracked include the number of neighborhood meetings, public meetings, meetings with project partners, environmental assessments, ABCAs, and cleanup plans. Tracked outcomes will include community participation, acres assessed and ready for reuse, redevelopment dollars leveraged, and jobs created. In the event the project's performance is not efficient, the Coalition



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has countermeasures in place to address this problem. These include the Coalition lead, Walker County, and the environmental consultant, to make monthly calls to the EPA Project Officer and if needed, revise the existing Work Plan to get the project back on schedule.

4. PROGRAMMATIC CAPABILITY AND PAST PERFORMANCE

a. Programmatic Capability i. Organizational Structure & ii. Description of Key Staff: Robert Wardlaw, **Director of Economic and Community Development** will serve as the **Brownfield Program's Project Director** and is ultimately responsible for timely and successful expenditure of funds and completion of the administrative and financial requirements of the Brownfield Program. Mr. Wardlaw has worked for Walker County for more than three years. Mr. Wardlaw has expertise in grant management, economic development, site selection, state and federal tax incentive program management, and business plan development. He is also a member of the Walker County Development Authority. Elizabeth Wells, Director of Economic Development, LaFayette/Rossville, will serve as the **Brownfield Project Manager** and is responsible for the day-to-day management of the grant. Ms. Wells will provide assistance to Mr. Wardlaw. Ms. Wells is responsible for planning, special projects, and community outreach for the Region's members. Walker County's Finance Officer, Greg McConnell, will serve as the **Brownfield Program's Finance Manager**. Mr. McConnell manages Walker County's day-to-day financial operations. Mr. McConnell will be responsible for the financial requirements of the grant and the use of the ASAP.gov drawdown system. A qualified environmental consultant will assist with the technical and reporting portions of the project. Coalition members are obligated to participate in meaningful decisions regarding site selection, determining the minimum number of sites, equitable distribution of funds across their jurisdictions, development of consultant/contractor work scopes, assessment permitting/access agreements, and all related aspects of Brownfield Grant activities. David Hamilton, LaFayette City Manager; Evitte Parrish, Chickamauga City Councilman; and Michael Hicks, Rossville City Councilman, will help to coordinate assessment within their respective cities. iii. Acquiring Additional Resources: Using local contracting requirements and procurement process, Walker County will procure a qualified environmental consultant to assist with technical and reporting portions of the Brownfield Community-wide Coalition Assessment. Walker County will ensure compliance with the EPA's "Professional Service" procurement process.

b. Past Performance and Accomplishments ii. Has Not Received an EPA Brownfields Grant but has Received Other Federal or Non-Federal Assistance Agreement (1) Purpose and Accomplishments: In 2018, Walker County was awarded \$241,561 for the Residential Substance Abuse Treatment for State Prisoners (RSAT) grant from the Criminal Justice Coordinating Council (CJCC). The RSAT grant provides substance abuse treatment for approximately 50 inmates. The grant was closed in 2019 and all funds were expended. In 2018, Walker County was awarded \$656,238 in grant funding from the Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT). The GDOT grant funds transportation for sensitive populations to health care services for Walker County. The grant was closed in 2019 and all funds were expended. (2) Compliance with Grant Requirements: Walker County has a history of compliance with grant work plans, schedules, and terms and conditions and has an excellent history of timely reporting with all award agencies. Walker County was on schedule and keep track of all grant activities to ensure timely results. Robert Wardlaw, Project Director; Elizabeth Wells, Project Manager; and Greg McConnell, Finance Director, are skilled in grant administration including project management. They will personally monitor grant activities to ensure compliance with all financial and reporting requirements. Walker County tracks all project results individually and will be able to manage the requirements for tracking projects in ACRES if awarded a grant from the EPA.

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Threshold Criteria



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Threshold Criteria

1. **Applicant Eligibility:** Walker County (lead applicant) is eligible to apply for the EPA Brownfields Community-wide Assessment Coalition Grant as a local government as defined under 2 CFR §200.64. Coalition members, City of LaFayette, City of Chickamauga, and City of Rossville, Georgia, are local governments pursuant to 2 CFR §200.64. A **DRAFT** Memorandum of Agreement signed by each Coalition member citing agreement to participate in the EPA Brownfield Assessment Coalition Grant is attached.

2. **Community Involvement:** In an effort to gain community support and inform the local Coalition member communities, several meetings were held to discuss the need for brownfield assessment grant funding. The Walker County Development Authority hosted a Zoom informational meeting to discuss the grant application and invited questions and comments from the public on October 22, 2020. Coalition members have held meetings over the past two years to discuss the redevelopment of brownfield properties located within the Coalition member areas.

Walker County and the Coalition members will encourage community participation through brownfield site identification and prioritization, educational sessions, and project update meetings. During community meetings held by the Coalition members, community input and suggestions will be documented. Community member suggestions will be discussed during quarterly brownfield coalition meetings, and the responses will be posted on the Brownfield Program website. Target-area, resident-identified sites will be added to the inventory, evaluated with project partner input, and prioritized based on need, project goals, and the future land-use redevelopment plans.

Coalition member and project partner websites, social media, local/regional publications, and distributed print material will ensure distribution throughout the county. A Brownfield Program webpage will be developed as part of this grant to allow residents access to periodic updates on the Program's status. To share the Coalition's Brownfield Program information, a Community Involvement Plan (CIP) will be created detailing community engagement activities, schedule, project background, and key players. The CIP will be available for review in Walker County's Economic Development office, Coalition members City Hall offices, libraries, and on the Brownfield webpage. A Brownfield Program brochure explaining the program will be shared throughout the community at Coalition member's public meetings held within the target area and local libraries. The Program Director will provide project information during regularly scheduled monthly Council Meetings, community educational meetings, and charrettes/visioning sessions.

Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, community meetings have been held in a virtual format. It is anticipated that meetings will be held in a virtual format after the grant award until the health precautions mandated by the State of Georgia are lifted. Meetings will be promoted through the Brownfields Program webpage, email distribution lists, and social media. To continue to promote community involvement, community outreach will be conducted via virtual calls to discuss the grant and engage the community through virtual small group, educational, and focused question-and-answer sessions.

3. **Expenditure of Assessment Grant Funds:** Walker County affirms that they do not have an active EPA Brownfields Assessment Grant.

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MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT

This Memorandum of Agreement (“MOA”) is this entered into by and between the following named parties, to-wit: Walker County, Georgia; City of LaFayette, Georgia; City of Rossville, Georgia; and City of Chickamauga, Georgia, (“Coalition Partners” or individually “Coalition Partner”) effective as of the date of the last signature hereto.

This MOA documents the roles and responsibilities of the parties to this MOA and the parties involved in the Assessment Coalition with regard to EPA Cooperative Agreement No: BFxxxxxxxx (“Cooperative Agreement”).

1. On the ____ day of _____, 2020, EPA awarded the Cooperative Agreement to the Lead Coalition Member Walker County, Georgia. The grant period is 10/01/2021 – 09/30/2024.
2. Walker County as the Lead Coalition Member is responsible to EPA for the management of the Cooperative Agreement and compliance with all applicable statutes, regulations, and terms and conditions of the award, and ensuring that all members of the coalition are in compliance with the terms and conditions of the award.
3. It is the responsibility of Walker County to provide timely information to the other Coalition Partners regarding the management of the Cooperative Agreement and any changes that may be made to the Cooperative Agreement over the period of the grant.
4. The contact information for the Coalition Partners is as follows, to-wit:

Walker County, Georgia
Project Manager: Robert Wardlaw
101 South Duke Street
P.O. Box 445
LaFayette, GA 30728
706-638-1437 Office
wardlaw@walkercountyga.gov

City of LaFayette, Georgia
Project Manager: David Hamilton
207 South Duke Street, LaFayette GA 30728
706-639-1500
dhamilton@lafga.org

City of Rossville, Georgia
Project Manager: Michael Hicks
400 McFarland Avenue, Rossville, GA 30741
mjhicks1781@yahoo.com

City of Chickamauga, Georgia
Project Manager: Evitte Parrish
103 Crittenden Ave., Chickamauga, GA 30307
706-375-3177
eparrish@accessfwb.com

4. Activities funded through the Cooperative Agreement may include, but not be limited to, inventory preparation, site selection criteria development, assessments, planning (including cleanup planning) relating to Brownfield sites, and outreach materials and implementation, and other eligible activities. Walker County may retain consultant(s) and contractors under 2 CFR 200.317-326 to undertake various activities funded through the Cooperative Agreement and may award subgrants to other Coalition Members under 2 CFR 200.330 for assessment projects in their respective geographic areas. Subgrantees are accountable to Walker County for proper expenditure of funds.
5. The Lead Coalition Member will procure the consultant(s) in compliance with 2 CFR 200.317-326 requirements. The Lead Coalition Member will issue the Requests for Proposals or Requests for Qualifications and will be the entity responsible for receipt of the submitted proposals, selection and award of contracts. Walker County will consult with other Coalition Members in making selections of consultants and contractors and negotiating the terms of agreements with them.
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7. The Lead Coalition Member is responsible for ensuring that other activities as negotiated in the workplan, such as community outreach and involvement, are implemented in accordance with a schedule agreed upon by Walker County and the Coalition Member in whose geographic area the site to be assessed is located.

Executed and Agreed to:

City of LaFayette, Georgia

By: _____

Mayor

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Philip A. Amodeo", written over the line for the Mayor's name.

Date: 10/23/2020

Executed and Agreed to:

City of Chickamauga, Georgia

By: Ray Crowder
Mayor

Date: 10-23-2020

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City of Rossville, Georgia

By: *Teddy Han*

Mayor

Date: 10-23-2020

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Executed and Agreed to:

Walker County, Georgia

By: Shannon K. Whitefield
Sole Commissioner

Date: 10-23-2020

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 1. Type of Submission:

- ☐ Preapplication
☒ Application
☐ Changed/Corrected Application

* 2. Type of Application:

- ☒ New
☐ Continuation
☐ Revision

* If Revision, select appropriate letter(s):

* Other (Specify):

* 3. Date Received:

10/27/2020

4. Applicant Identifier:

5a. Federal Entity Identifier:

5b. Federal Award Identifier:

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State Use Only:

6. Date Received by State:

7. State Application Identifier:

8. APPLICANT INFORMATION:

* a. Legal Name:

County of Walker

* b. Employer/Taxpayer Identification Number (EIN/TIN):

586000901

* c. Organizational DUNS:

0101269690000

d. Address:

* Street1:

101 S Duke Street

Street2:

* City:

La Fayette

County/Parish:

Walker

* State:

GA: Georgia

Province:

* Country:

USA: UNITED STATES

* Zip / Postal Code:

30728-3601

e. Organizational Unit:

Department Name:

Econ & Community Development

Division Name:

f. Name and contact information of person to be contacted on matters involving this application:

Prefix:

* First Name:

Elizabeth

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Wells

Suffix:

Title:

Director of Economic Development & Community

Organizational Affiliation:

* Telephone Number:

423.710.6575

Fax Number:

* Email:

ewells@lafga.org

Application for Federal Assistance SF-424

* 9. Type of Applicant 1: Select Applicant Type:

B: County Government

Type of Applicant 2: Select Applicant Type:

Type of Applicant 3: Select Applicant Type:

* Other (specify):

* 10. Name of Federal Agency:

Environmental Protection Agency

11. Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Number:

66.818

CFDA Title:

Brownfields Assessment and Cleanup Cooperative Agreements

* 12. Funding Opportunity Number:

EPA-OLEM-OBLR-20-06

* Title:

FY21 GUIDELINES FOR BROWNFIELD ASSESSMENT GRANTS

13. Competition Identification Number:

Title:

14. Areas Affected by Project (Cities, Counties, States, etc.):

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* 15. Descriptive Title of Applicant's Project:

FY21 Walker Co, GA Assessment Coalition Brownfield Project

Attach supporting documents as specified in agency instructions.

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Attach an additional list of Program/Project Congressional Districts if needed.

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17. Proposed Project:* a. Start Date: * b. End Date: **18. Estimated Funding (\$):**

* a. Federal	<input type="text" value="600,000.00"/>
* b. Applicant	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* c. State	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* d. Local	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* e. Other	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* f. Program Income	<input type="text" value="0.00"/>
* g. TOTAL	<input type="text" value="600,000.00"/>

*** 19. Is Application Subject to Review By State Under Executive Order 12372 Process?**

- ☐ a. This application was made available to the State under the Executive Order 12372 Process for review on .
- ☒ b. Program is subject to E.O. 12372 but has not been selected by the State for review.
- ☐ c. Program is not covered by E.O. 12372.

*** 20. Is the Applicant Delinquent On Any Federal Debt? (If "Yes," provide explanation in attachment.)**☐ Yes ☒ No

If "Yes", provide explanation and attach

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21. *By signing this application, I certify (1) to the statements contained in the list of certifications and (2) that the statements herein are true, complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I also provide the required assurances** and agree to comply with any resulting terms if I accept an award. I am aware that any false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or claims may subject me to criminal, civil, or administrative penalties. (U.S. Code, Title 218, Section 1001)**

☒ ** I AGREE

** The list of certifications and assurances, or an internet site where you may obtain this list, is contained in the announcement or agency specific instructions.

Authorized Representative:

Prefix: * First Name:

Middle Name:

* Last Name:

Suffix:

* Title: * Telephone Number: Fax Number: * Email: * Signature of Authorized Representative: * Date Signed: